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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 590  
By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Vaughn Edward Brewer  
of Piney Flats.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Vaughn Edward Brewer; and

WHEREAS, Vaughn Edward Brewer was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native of Claiborne County, he graduated from Powell Valley High School in 1950; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brewer bravely served in the United States Army as a member of the 369<sup>th</sup> EASR Engineering Boat Battalion during the Korean Conflict; his distinguished military career included service in the Inchon Campaign; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable discharge from the U.S. Army, Vaughn Edward Brewer married his sweetheart, Anna Mae Vannoy on August 29, 1953; and

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WHEREAS, he graduated from the University of Tennessee with a Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Education in 1956; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brewer astutely served as an educator in the Sullivan County School System for thirty-five years; as a Vocational Agriculture Teacher at Mary Hughes High School and Assistant Principal of Sullivan East High School, he earned the respect of his students, peers, and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished leader, Vaughn Edward Brewer accepted the position of Director of Sullivan County Vocational Education in 1976; later, he was appointed Director of Secondary Education, a position he held until his retirement in 1991; and

WHEREAS, through hard work and persistence, he earned a Master's degree in Administration from East Tennessee State University and an Ed.S. from the University of Tennessee while working for the Sullivan County School System; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brewer received numerous awards and honors for his commitment to Vocational Education, including the 1990-1991 Outstanding Vocational Administrator of the Year for the Tennessee Vocational Association and the 1990-1991 Outstanding Vocational Educator for the American Vocational Association; he was also recognized by the National Association of State Councils for Vocational-Technical Education; and

WHEREAS, Vaughn Edward Brewer dedicated his time and talents to numerous education and community organizations, including serving as Chairman of the Sullivan County Democratic Party, member and former President of the Piney Flats Ruritan, a 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Master Mason, member of the Shawanee Lodge #546, member of the Jericho Temple AAONMS of Kingsport, and a ten-year member and past Chairperson of the Tennessee Vocational Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, he was a Charter Member of the Piney Flats Baptist Church, where he faithfully served on various church committees; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brewer was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Vaughn Edward Brewer was preceded in death by his father, Benjamin Harrison Brewer; his mother, Cora Brewer; his brother, William Earl Brewer; his sister, M. Faye Brewer; and half sister, Irene Hubbard; and

WHEREAS, he will be greatly missed by his wife, Anna Mae Vannoy Brewer; his three children and their spouses, Phillip Keys and Lisa Ann Brewer Holt, Van Edward and Darlene Morgan Brewer, and Kenneth Vaughn and Cindy Caroline Brewer; his brothers and their spouses, Homer and Elizabeth Brewer and Joseph Bascomb and Lois Brewer; his half sisters, Thella Jones and Anna Johnson; his grandchildren, Benjamin K. Holt, Anna K. Holt, Jacob V. Brewer, Sarah E. Brewer, and Blake E. Brewer and Blake's mother, Luann S. Holloway; his step-grandchildren, Ryan W. Riches and Cherish L. Morgan; his numerous nieces and nephews; and his special friends, Richard Gilbert, Deanna Gilbert, Alex Gilbert, and Onita Topee; and

WHEREAS, Vaughn Edward Brewer left behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, a loving father and husband, a devoted educator, and a kind neighbor and friend, Mr. Brewer's life of service and goodwill stands as a testament to the difference one person can make; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Vaughn Edward Brewer, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character, his meritorious service to the Sullivan County School System, his stalwart commitment to his family and community, and the courage and conviction with which he lived.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family and friends of Vaughn Brewer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.